

**Amendments to the Specification:**

At page 37, line 28 to page 38, line 2, please replace the existing paragraph with the following:

In further characterising the biological function of the identified proteins, the expression of these ~~proteinss~~ proteins may be modulated within the in vivo and/or in vitro systems, i.e. either overexpressed or underexpressed in, for example, transgenic animals and/or cell lines, and its subsequent effect on the system then assayed. Alternatively, the activity of the identified protein may be modulated by either increasing or decreasing the level of activity in the in vivo and/or in vitro system of interest, and its subsequence effect then assayed.